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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TSPA, PFOR, IN, US

SUBJECT: USG VISITORS TO SITE FACILITIES

REF: NEW DELHI 2486, 2537

1. NASA HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT TO SEEK EMBASSY VIEWS ON POSSIBILITY THAT NASA ADMINISTRATOR FLETCHER ACCEPT LONG-STANDING ISRO INVITATION TO VISIT SITE AND RELATED ISRO FACILITIES. (AS YOU RECALL, AN EARLIER PROPOSED VISIT BY FLETCHER WAS POSTPONED IN THE WAKE OF CRITICISM OF U.S. BY MRS. GANDHI.) IF VISIT SEEMS ACCEPTABLE TO EMBASSY IN LIGHT OF CURRENT STATE OF INDO-U.S. RELATIONS, IT WOULD OF COURSE BE TREATED AS TECHNICAL NOT POLITICAL LEVEL VISIT, AND FLETCHER WOULD CONFINE HIS ACTIVITIES TO OBSERVATION OF SITE PROGRAM AND RELATED ACTIVITIES. BEST TIME FOR FLETCHER WOULD BE PERIOD OF APRIL 16-23, ALTERNATIVELY MARCH 16-24.

2. DEPARTMENT CONCURS WITH EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATION (STATED IN REFTELS) THAT TRAVEL BY USG OFFICIALS FOR  
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SERIOUS STUDY OF SITE PROGRAM SHOULD BE COORDINATED IN WASHINGTON AND THAT WE DO NOT WANT TO ENCOURAGE CASUAL

VISITORS TO SITE. FURTHER INFORMATION ON TRAVEL PROPOSED  
BY USIA 2318 AND STATE 28553 WILL FOLLOW BY SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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